

# Simplex method (6-2)

① Recall the "standard form" of a maximization problem

$$(10/12; 6-1)$$

$$\text{Maximize } 5x_1 + 4x_2 = P$$

$$\text{subject to: } \left. \begin{array}{l} 4x_1 + x_2 \leq 28 \\ 2x_1 + x_2 \leq 16 \\ x_1 + x_2 \leq 13 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{Problem} \\ \text{constraints} \end{array}$$
$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x_1, x_2 \geq 0 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{nonnegative} \\ \text{constraints} \end{array}$$

① In standard form, ✓ (Crucially, 28, 16, 13 ≥ 0.)

② Add slack variables:

$$4x_1 + x_2 + s_1 = 28$$

$$2x_1 + x_2 + s_2 = 16$$

$$x_1 + x_2 + s_3 = 13$$

$$x_1, x_2, s_1, s_2, s_3 \geq 0$$

③ Rearrange  $P = 5x_1 + 4x_2$ :

Standard form for maximization:

$$\text{Maximize } P = c_1x_1 + c_2x_2 + c_3x_3 + \dots + c_nx_n$$

subject to constraints of the form

$$a_1x_1 + a_2x_2 + a_3x_3 + \dots + a_nx_n \leq b,$$

where  $b \geq 0$ , and subject to the

$$\text{"nonnegative constraints": } x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \geq 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 4x_1 + x_2 + s_1 &= 28 \\
 2x_1 + x_2 + s_2 &= 16 \\
 x_1 + x_2 + s_3 &= 13 \\
 -5x_1 - 4x_2 + P &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

	$x_1$	$x_2$	$s_1$	$s_2$	$s_3$	$P$	
$s_1$	4	1	1	0	0	0	28
$s_2$	2	1	0	1	0	0	16
$s_3$	1	1	0	0	1	0	13
$P$	-5	-4	0	0	0	1	0

basic variables

"Where we are":  $x_1, x_2 = 0, P = 0$   
 $s_1 = 28, s_2 = 16, s_3 = 13$

- ④ Pick direction that increases  $P$  "fastest":  
 ④ Pick largest negative # in the bottom row (but not in the last column).

The column ~~of~~ of what you picked is called the pivot column; the corresponding variable is called the entering variable.

Increase  $x_1$  until we hit a constraint and can go no further:  
 (the entering variable)

⑤ We divide the entries in the last column by the entries in the pivot column:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} 28/4 &= 7 \\ 16/2 &= 8 \\ 13/1 &= 13 \end{aligned} \right\}$$

IF an entry in the pivot column is 0 or negative, then skip that row.

The row with the smallest quotient is called the pivot row.

	$x_1$	$x_2$	pivot $s_1$	$s_2$	$s_3$	P	
pivot row $s_1$	4	1	1	0	0	0	28
$s_2$	2	1	0	1	0	0	16
$s_3$	1	1	0	0	1	0	13
P	-5	-4	0	0	0	1	0

pivot column  $\rightarrow s_1$  is the exiting variable

We're going to "go" to the corner where  $x_1 = 7$  &  $s_1 = 0$

To do this on the matrix, we do what's called the pivot operation:

- ⑥ Turn the pivot ~~4~~ into a 1 by dividing the pivot row by 4.
- ⑦ Then turn the rest of the pivot column into 0's by adding multiples of the pivot row to the other rows. (Do not swap rows.)

$$R_1 / 4 \rightarrow R_1$$

①	1/4	1/4	0	0	0	<del>7</del>
②	1	0	1	0	0	16
③	1	0	0	1	0	13
④	-5	-4	0	0	1	0

$$R_2 - 2R_1 \rightarrow R_2$$

$$R_3 - R_1 \rightarrow R_3$$

$$R_4 + 5R_1 \rightarrow R_4$$

new basic variables

	$x_1$	$x_2$	$s_1$	$s_2$	$s_3$	$P$	
$x_1$	1	1/4	1/4	0	0	0	7
$s_2$	0	1/2	-1/2	1	0	0	2
$s_3$	0	3/4	-1/4	0	1	0	6
$P$	0	-11/4	5/4	0	0	1	35

① We are at:  $x_1 = 7, x_2 = 0$

$s_1 = 0, s_2 = 2, s_3 = 6, P = 35$

⑧ Now repeat steps ④ & ⑤ & ⑥ & ⑦:  
 Next you would ~~change~~ have  $\begin{cases} 7/(1/4) = 28 \\ 2/(1/2) = 4 \\ 6/(3/4) = 8 \end{cases}$   
 $x_2$  enter &  $s_2$  exit ...

(No HW ~~are~~ assigned today.)

- Monday 10/17      Video lecture } HW will
- Wednesday 10/19      Video lecture } be assigned
- Friday 10/21      Fall break
- Monday 10/24      Normal class (HW due)